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Britain's Latest Defence Weapon

London, Mar. 21.—Britain is developing "plane to plane" guided missiles which will enable fighter planes to destroy bombers at long range.

The Air Minister, Mr. Arthur Henderson, who disclosed this new stage in Britain's air defence in Parliament today, also announced the development of advanced jet fighters with speeds well over 600 miles an hour and a new and improved type of jet night fighter.

These fighters, able to fly at extreme heights, are to follow the new jet fighter, the Venom, which Royal Air Force squadrons will be using next year.

All Britain's day fighter and ground attack squadrons overseas are now re-equipped with jet aircraft, except three squadrons in the Far East, Mr. Henderson said.

THE NEW FIGHTERS

Mr. Henderson said that all the jet night fighters, now being fitted with up-to-date radio and radar aids, would also be able to fight by day in weather that would ground day fighters. They would, therefore, play a vital part in defence by day and night.

Mr. Henderson disclosed that scientists were working on a new advance "air-to-air" guided missile. Fighter planes, keeping out of range of the enemy's guns, could direct this new weapon against the modern bomber.

Mr. Henderson, who was opening a debate on the Estimates for next year's Royal Air Force programme, said that £223,000,000 would be spent in the year. This was an increase of £5,000,000 on last year.

Recruiting, he said, was on the whole unsatisfactory and the general level of experience in the Service would further decline unless more men were willing to stay for further service.

The strength of the Royal Air Force on April 1, 1951, was expected to be about 198,000, compared with 225,000 a year ago and 202,500 today. Today's figure included 129,000 regulars and 70,500 national service men (conscripts).—Itc.

Raising of the Truculent from bed of the Thames Estuary



London Express Service

Question On HK Textiles

London, Mar. 21.—Mr. Harold Wilson, the President of the Board of Trade, told Parliament today that any suggestion that protective duties or quotas should be imposed against the British colonies "would have far-reaching implications indeed."

He was replying to Mr. Prescott, who had asked what the Government's future policy was towards imports of finished textile goods from Hongkong.

Mr. Wilson said that the imports totalled £137,000 from August, 1949, to January, 1950.—Itc.

Senate Committee Approves ERP

CONGRESS DISPUTE LIKELY

Washington, Mar. 21.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today voted unanimous approval of the Administration's full \$3,100 million European Recovery Programme.

The House of Representatives has voted to cut \$1,000 million of each from the fund but to provide an equivalent value in American agricultural surpluses for European recovery.

The Senate Committee also approved \$100 million in economic aid for Korea and suggested a possible \$50 million in aid for the Chinese Nationalist Government.

The Committee's decision was announced by the Chairman, Senator Tom Connally. There will probably be a Senate-House dispute before the ERA figure is finally approved by Congress because of the different opinions held by the Senate and House Committees.

But Senator Connally said he thought that Congress would eventually reject the House Committee proposals to substitute surplus farm products for \$1,000 million cash.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee today approved a statement favouring collaboration by the free peoples of Asia for self-help and mutual cooperation to protect their security and independence.

The policy statement was approved as part of the Foreign Aid Bill for the 12 months beginning July 1. The Committee is near the end of its work on the measure, which contemplates continued American economic aid to friendly nations in Europe and Asia.

Its Chairman, Mr. John Kee, said that the Committee contemplated only economic cooperation, not military, with the nations of Asia.—Itc.

CHINA AID FUNDS

Washington, Mar. 21.—The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee today authorised another year's extension of the authority to use about \$104 million of the China Aid funds previously earmarked but so far unspent.

With the Chinese Communists controlling almost all of China it is thought in Washington that these funds would be available in other areas of South-East Asia, such as Indo-China.

The Committee also increased from \$150 million to \$300 million the amount of ECA guarantees provided for the private investment of United States capital abroad.—Itc.

The submarine Truculent which sank on the night of Jan. 12 with the loss of 64 lives, is brought to the surface of the Thames Estuary, hanging from the powerful stern derrick of two big lifting craft, the submarine is being towed broadside up river to be beached on Chissey Spit landbank, three miles from Sheerness. There she will be patched, pumped out, and refloated for towing into Sheerness dockyard.—London Express Service.

Govt's "No" To Flogging

London, Mar. 21.—The Government today emphatically rejected flogging as the answer to Britain's present crime wave.

Viscount Jowitt, the Lord Chancellor, declared in the House of Lords: "We have no intention of reintroducing it—none whatever."

Last year Parliament had deliberately abolished flogging and it would be politically quite impossible to go back on that now, he said.

Lord Jowitt was opening a two-day debate on the present outbreak of crimes of violence in Britain. With newspapers every day reporting assaults and gangster operations, the clamour for bringing back the birch has risen in recent weeks.

Lord Goddard, the Lord Chief Justice of England, and other judges have deplored their loss of power to order a flogging which they consider a strong deterrent.

Describing the present crime wave as "very grave" in some respects, the Lord Chancellor said that they had to see whether the longer sentence which the judges now had to give was not a more effective deterrent than the short sentence coupled with the cat-o-nine tails.—Itc.

REACHES PEKING

San Francisco, Mar. 21.—M. Finn Koren, Norway's representative for talks with the Central People's Government of China on the matter of establishing diplomatic relations between the two countries, has arrived in Peking, a Chinese Communist broadcast said tonight.

Mr. Koren arrived in the Communist capital by train this morning and was met by Mr. Hon Hsu, Section Chief of the Protocol Office of the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—Itc.

Belgium Still Without Govt.

Brussels, Mar. 21.—Belgium tonight is still without a Government. The "caretaker" Prime Minister, M. Gaston Eyskens, has so far been unable to form an administration to replace his Catholic-Liberal Coalition, which resigned on Saturday.

In talks between leaders of the Catholic and Liberal Parties, a hardening of the Liberal opposition to the return of King Leopold appears tonight to have compromised plans for the early formation of a new Coalition.

Earlier, the Prime Minister had forecast a new Coalition "within hours." Meanwhile, the Socialist Member of Parliament announced that they would lead "Stop Leopold" parades in the industrialised South on Friday, when 300,000 workers stage a second one-day "warning" strike against the King's restoration.

They said they would lead demonstrations through Liege, Mons and Charleroi against King Leopold's restoration.

FIGHTING FUND

The Socialist Members of Parliament also today gave 100,000 Belgian francs to the fighting fund of the "Stop Leopold" Action Committee formed by the party, trade unionists and other Socialist supporters.

The tense labour situation eased a little today when Antwerp dockers and 10,000 Brussels "Stop Leopold" strikers turned to work. But Council employees in four boroughs of the bilingual capital began their own strike and tramwaymen also threatened a walkout.

Rumours that the Walloon social organisations have decided to link up with a "Free Wallonia" movement, to set up a separate autonomous State, caused a stir today.

M. Joseph Merlot, former Socialist Minister and a Walloon leader, said that applications to join the new movement were pouring in from the southern provinces.

RUN ON SHOPS

The growing threat of stoppages is causing a run on food shops and some shopkeepers have sold out their limited stocks.

Workers were today reconstructing and redecorating a

Clash With Police

Morselles, Mar. 21.—Dock workers clashed with police here today shortly after taking a vote to go on with their strike against the war in Vietnam. Several of the dockers were arrested.—Itc.

20-Year Peace Programme Proposed

Washington, Mar. 21.—The United Nations Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie on Tuesday night proposed a twenty-year programme to win peace between Russia and the United States. He urged that the first steps be taken "without delay."

Mr. Lie told the national convention of Great Britain: "It will take a long series of steps to reduce the tensions of conflict and bring the great powers together. I do not believe in political miracles. Equally, I do not think the world can safely delay taking the first steps on this road of negotiation and conciliation."

"I do not mean by negotiations, surrender or appeasement by either side. I mean negotiations which imply honest give-and-take by both sides."

"I have been encouraged by recent reaffirmations from two of the leading great powers, the United States and the Soviet Union, about the possibilities of a peaceful co-existence between them and between the different economic and political systems they represent. The United Nations was founded upon that belief, and the hope of world peace depends upon its validity. What we need, what the world needs, is a twenty-year programme to win peace through the United Nations."

THE CHINA QUESTION

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EDITORIAL

Russian Espionage Menace

THE traitorous behaviour of Dr. Fuchs, the naturalised British atomic expert, the case of Edith Coplon and Valentine Gubitch, and the disclosures now being made in this paper by Mr. Bernard Newman, the expert on espionage, all bring a spotlight on the danger to which the Western nations are being exposed by the subtle, but diabolically clever spy system which the Soviets have established in the world since the end of the war. While Russia can find a willing assistant in the top levels of British atomic research, and while she can plant active agents within American State Department offices, having access to secret documents, the security of the Western countries is in dire jeopardy. The defection of Dr. Fuchs is, undoubtedly, the greatest single blow to the internal security of the democratic nations since World War II, for, it has become all too clear, that Fuchs made available to the Soviets so much vital information about the atomic bomb that the Kremlin has been able to catch up with the United States in this particular scientific development. Nor is it known, outside of the highest official circles, and the FBI, how much secret State information was obtained by, Edith Coplon and Valentine Gubitch, two more Soviet espionage operators, and relayed on to the Kremlin. What is certain is that the Russians have evolved and developed one of the most skillful espionage systems in the world today—ruthless, cynical, efficient and effective. Mr. Newman gives the clue to its success—the use for its own ends of national renegades. As he points out, the Soviets, subtle and yet complex in their methods, make the fullest use of the diplomatic immunity invested in their embassies for the transmission of information to Moscow, but rely on Communist sympathisers in the democratic countries to carry out the

sordid tasks of espionage. Thus, in England, M.I.5 as well as other security branches, have to search, not for Russians, but for traitorous Englishmen who have sold themselves to a foreign power. The ominous danger of the Soviet spy system is that its functional element is to be found in people who are nationals, not aliens, and therefore all the more difficult to apprehend because they can so easily cover their activities. Mr. Newman's solution to this problem is a more highly-trained, intelligent and well paid counter-espionage network in the first place, and the adoption, to some extent, of the Soviet secret service system, which employs all sorts and conditions of workers as informers. It is axiomatic that if counter-espionage is to be as successful, in fact more successful than espionage, it must be as highly organised and ruthless as the enemy. There is evidence to indicate that in Britain such is not the case today. Another important aspect is the disproportionate size of the Soviet embassies personnel to those employed, or allowed to be employed, by British and other embassies in Russia and her satellite countries. The Soviet foreign embassies and ministries quite openly overload themselves with staffs whose principal function is to act as espionage agents and information carriers protected by diplomatic privileges. The most sensible thing that Britain, the United States and other countries can do is to insist that these official staffs be reduced to the same number as the foreign embassies operating in Moscow and Eastern Europe, and that their diplomatic privileges be no greater than those extended by Russia and her satellites. The menace of the Communist spy system must be taken seriously, or the democracies will awake one day to find their countries riddled with a fifth column too powerful to control.

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WOMANSENSE

New Easter cottons are already in the shops

A dress you can wear
9 different waysby
Eileen Ascroft

COTTON frocks will be in the shops well before Easter—this spring. Buyers are determined not to be faced with an enormous demand they cannot satisfy if the weather suddenly produces a heat wave as it did last year.

One store already has an attractive model in dark West African prints with the Paris short-cuffed sleeve and deep revers.

A range of town cottons in dark West African prints have the Paris short-cuffed sleeve and deep revers.

For evening there are dresses of white, washable pique and for beachwear a gay printed cotton dress which can be worn nine different ways for only 30s.

Swimsuits in bright Egyptian cottons, and cotton housecoats, which also do duty as beach coats are now in the shops.

French Stars
DRESS of the week is a lovely adaptation of a Jacques Fath model in navy and white checked taffeta, being featured at one store in honour of the French President's visit with his attractive wife.

The dress has a V-neck, a tiny cape sleeve, and a large swirling skirt, trimmed with a deep, dipping band and huge bow of bright taffeta in spring shades.

Hat of the week comes from a French designer in London, and is appropriately christened



"SHORTIES" are spring fashions for town and country. In white alpaca, silk, light and bright, they are lined with grey tulle.

"Forever Amber." It is a big cartwheel with the brim curled back in front and tufted grapes in shades of amber. Accessories of the week are also inspired by the French. They are gay fringed stoles, hand-woven for you in any colour, with skirts to match. The same boutique also makes beautiful gloves, with contrasting ruffles, of stamped kid and suede, with two-tone handbags to match.

Large and Small

NEW dress salon opened in Mayfair by two young women caterers for the large, plump woman and the small, slender type.

Idea was born because Carol could never find clothes small enough to fit her, and Louise had difficulty in buying fashionable clothes for her own and cater for other young women with the same problems.

—London Express Service.

How To Buy
A Long-Lived
Carpet

By ELEANOR ROSS

ONE of the biggest investments in home furnishings is the rug. Yet most of us have to buy "blind," trusting to fate and the brandname. If any, that the purchase will stand up under years of wear. So we bind ourselves to an expert who is the last word to architects and decorators when it comes to floor covering advice. And he had plenty to tell.

In buying rugs, he advises, don't be fooled by a "handful." That's the trade name for the small rug sample that invariably feels so soft in the hand and appears to be finely woven. But neither a soft rug nor a closely woven one will necessarily wear the best.

What To Look For

As practical do's and don'ts for the potential rug or carpet purchaser, the sage man advises, that for quality, look first for live yarn with a good spring to it. Dull yarn is the least resilient. The fact that it is closely woven is important, but only when there is healthy yarn to begin with. Certain textured coverings with loose pile are extremely attractive but they often sacrifice durability for beauty.

Colour Choice

Whatever colour you choose, there are two pitfalls to be wary of, the expert cautions. In a large city, particularly, a rug is apt to "gray down" with use, due to the gray dust in the atmosphere that settles in the carpet. And for what? Better I should have taken acting lessons.

Don't Be Deceived
Miss Scott speaks out in this vein for the benefit of those who might otherwise be deceived by some piano playing scene in "Paid in Full," a picture she made for Hal Wallis at Paramount.

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More Important
But I found I had many more important things to do and to learn to become an actress. Time is the most important thing in life, and it must be used to the best advantage.

Accomplishments are all right in their place, but they must not be preferred to the work one chooses as a lifetime job.

When Miss Scott returned recently to her home town of Scranton, Pa., she met her old piano teacher.

Now, aren't you sorry you didn't keep up your lessons?" the teacher said.

I don't know what I actually said, Miss Scott said, but the answer inside me was a big fat no.—United Press.

Household Hints

Garments of wool and anilacs should be pressed, not ironed. The garment should be dry, and a lightly dampened pressing cloth should be used. Too much moisture and prolonged pressure will cause excessive shrinkage and matting.

Discoloured light bowls are "robbers" of light. Be sure to keep diffusing bowls clean.

Miss Scott's
Advice To
Music Lovers

Hollywood.

PIANO students of the world, please! You have nothing to lose but your grace notes.

Abandon that two hours of practice a day, unless you have concert ambitions. Elizabeth Scott, for one, says there are more interesting things to do.

I used to practice two hours a day," Miss Scott said, "and in an hour and a half each way, for six years, to take lessons. And for what? Better I should have taken acting lessons."

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Off-the-Shoulder Accent



At the premiere of "The Way Things Go" accent was on off-the-shoulder evening wear. Moira Lister chose ice-blue satin with cut-top. Audrey White was in black taffeta with lace trim-top.

Choose a Hat That's Becoming



A small felt hat with a rolled brim is Movie Star Joan Evans' choice for wear with suits and informal clothes. Flowers of same material.

By HELEN FOLLETT

THERE is one time that a woman must use her head and that is when she is buying a hat. And we're not trying to be funny, either. The hat is the background for the face, can do more to alter the contour of the feminine portrait than any other item of the wardrobe. The right one, the flattering one, can reveal the features to their advantage. The wrong model can throw the features out of harmony, give accent to those that do not make the grade.

A small, close fitting helmet on a round, plump face will make the face look rounder and wider. It makes the top of the head appear unduly narrow, throws lines out of proportion. The crown of hats with brims should not be narrower than the face.

Straight lines over the forehead, like those of the snail, are always trying because they lack that softness that forms a pleasing frame for the face. A brim with an irregular line is effective and smart, causes no definite break in the length of the face.

Vells have been popular for so many seasons. Fashion experts say that they are too widely and too indiscriminately used. To gain a flattering effect one must be careful about colour and the manner in which they are arranged on the hat.

Some hats are not suited to this additional drapery. However, they modify and soften the lines of hats of severe design; then they perform in a friendly manner.

A well draped entirely over the hat and not drooping down over the face may be made to give width where width is needed, or to add height without introducing bulk.

Menu From Alaska
Baked Bean and Tomato Soup

In a 2-qt. kettle combine 2 c. home-made leftover baked beans or 1 (No. 2) tin pork and beans. Add 2 c. solid-packed tomatoes, 1 peeled chopped onion, and 5 c. soup stock (any kind); or use water with 5 envelopes broth powder. Add 1 tsp. sugar. Bring to boiling point. Cover and simmer until the onion is very soft, about 35 min. Add ½ tsp. Worcestershire sauce. In a small bowl blend 3 tsp. flour with 2 tsp. butter or margarine. Add ¼ c. of the hot soup and stir until smooth. Return to the cooking soup and slow-boil 3 min. Serve, if desired, before serving. Garnish with croutons.

Banana Bolt
"Oh, it's not too bad; as a matter of fact, that section of Alaska is called the banana belt."

The banana belt? I remarked, incredulously. Yes, it's warm in the Gulf Stream, the summer thermometer averages 60, with very little humidity. In winter it rarely goes below zero.

What native fruits do you have? Our strawberries are outstanding. We have quantities of beautiful blueberries, both high and low cranberries, and one raspberries. Mossberries are delicious, too; they taste like loganberries, and grow on long trailers. But we don't have fruit trees; the summer season isn't long enough for the fruit to mature.

How about meats? I asked. "Do you cook reindeer?"

Caribou Moose
"No, the reindeer herds are in another part of Alaska. But we have moose, which I pot roast, or cook as steak. Caribou moose also is delicious, but it's a light meat that doesn't stick to the ribs. Otherwise we use the same kind of meat you have in the states."Here's our menu, based on a supper in Alaska.
Dinner
Baked Bean and Tomato Soup
Croulons
Cole Slaw
Cottage Cup Cakes
Butterscotch Sauce
Coffee or Tea Milk (Children)Include enriched bread or rolls with butter or margarine.
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve FourTrick of the chef
For a new flavour add ¼ c. de-frosted frozen blueberries to the flour when mixing the cottage cup cakes.New Drug Brings Relief
To People With Allergy

THE rather strange-looking word "decapryn" may eventually spell relief for uncounted thousands of sufferers from hay fever, hives, and similar allergic disorders. Decapryn is the name of a new drug which, in the first tests, has proved singularly effective against the discomforts caused by allergy or over-sensitivity.

Just why some people react as they do to certain substances which are ineffective to others is not known, but something, at least, of the ways and the understood.

When a person eats a food to which he is sensitive or breathes a pollen or dust to which he is allergic, the body reacts by the formation of large quantities of histamine. It is the accumulation of histamine and not the food or dust or such which produces the unpleasant symptoms of the various allergic disorders.

Thus, recent research has concentrated on the production of drugs which will combat histamine. During the past few years two have been discovered—benadryl and pyribenzamine. Now decapryn has been added to the list.

In a series of patients treated with decapryn, about 80 percent of all allergic symptoms were banished. Eighty percent of those with typical hay fever and those with hives were completely relieved. On the other hand, the effects in the treatment of asthma were not as good. Of 54 patients, about one-third were relieved to a great extent, and two-fifths were moderately benefited. In the remainder, there was noticeable improvement.

Reaction May Occur
With this preparation, as with others of this type, certain reactions may occur, the most common of which is drowsiness. This symptom developed in about one out of six of those treated. However, of the total number of those who reported reactions, the majority were suffering from asthma and, therefore, had received comparatively large doses. Reactions in other patients were for the most part quite moderate. With the moderate dosage required in treating allergic conditions other than asthma, reactions occurred in less than one out of ten cases.

It would appear that further studies of this newer anti-histamine preparation are indicated. From those already reported, there is reason to hope that this new drug will have great value in the treatment of many patients suffering from allergy, particularly those with hay-fever and hives.

The Cause Was
Pin Curls

A woman filed for divorce in Milwaukee, Wis., with the charge that her husband insisted that she put pin curls in his hair at night.

A 71-year-old woman from Kansas City, Mo., recently married the man she walked out on 49 years ago the night before they were to be married. Neither has ever married before.

Concert Ensemble

By ALICE AIDEN

SOMETHING new seems to have been added to the black silk taffeta theatre evening dress designed by Celi Chapman for the talented and handsome American singer, Marguerite Piazza. That something new is a triangle of material with its widest part across the front of the dress, and coming to a point at the waistline. Black silk flowers are embroidered on this strapless gown which features an uneven hemline. A short jacket with three-quarter length sleeves and wide cuffs makes the gown just right for important late afternoon functions. It is an important consideration for the singer who has to travel light while fulfilling professional engagements, yet whose wardrobe must contain clothes right for many formal and informal occasions.

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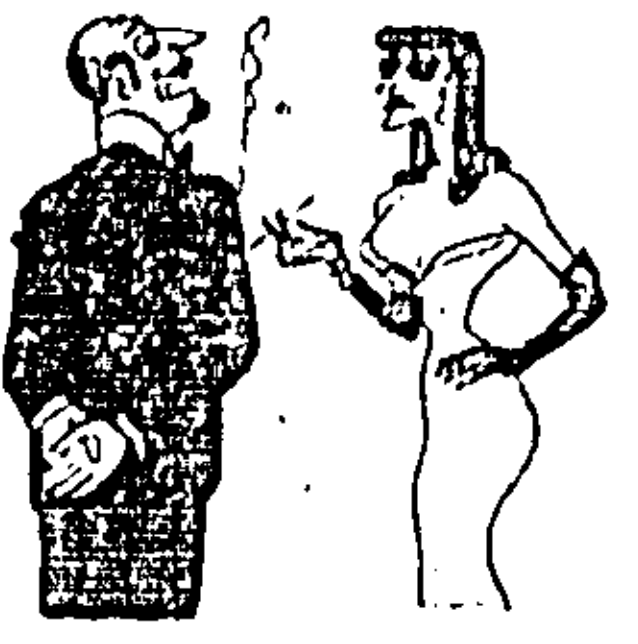
EXTRAORDINARY TRIAL OF STRENGTH IN PARLIAMENT

By Roy Carleton

London, Mar. 15.—The first extraordinary trial of strength in this extraordinary 1950 Parliament had extraordinary results which aptly match up with the extraordinary General Election which brought the whole situation into being. Excuse the repeated adjective but the essence of our present Parliamentary tangle in Britain is so full of intangible subtleties that all the various political parties and splinter groups are able to satisfy themselves with a different word to describe it all; so I steer for safety and use the same word for everything.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



EXHIBITION OF BRITISH BALLET

The British Council has prepared an exhibition of British Ballet which is being shown for three weeks from April 16 at the British Institute in Madrid and afterwards in Barcelona and, probably, Bilbao. Later in the year it will be shown in Lisbon.

The exhibition is a small but comprehensive one, consisting of scale models of stage sets, original costumes and set designs, and photographs. There is also a section containing some 100 British books on ballet, most of them published during recent years, periodicals specialising in ballet, and a selection of music scores.

Some of the best known ballets are depicted in a series of display panels. These include Sadler's Wells' "Hamlet," "Job," and "Miracle in the Gables," all performed during its recent tour of the United States and Canada.

SCENIC MODELS

The Rambert Ballet is represented by "Peter and the Wolf," Sadler's Wells Ballet Theatre Company by "Sea Change," the International Ballet by "The Masque of Comedy," and Metropolitan Ballet by "Pleasure-drome."

There are ten scenic models, each with its correct stage lighting, in most cases painted by the artist himself.

The exhibition also includes a series of photographs showing the training of dancers, and panels show Sadler's Wells, the Royal Academy of Dancing, and the Rambert School. Other photographs show ballet in action, such as the British feature film "The Red Shoes" and the British Council documentary "Steps of the Ballet."

Mr Arnold Haskell, Director of the Sadler's Wells School, is delivering a series of lectures on British Ballet in Madrid, and Barcelona, and recitals of recorded ballet music are also being arranged.

No Red Hat

An engine driver on the Rome-Milan express train refused to take off from Melegnano near Bologna because the stationmaster did not wear a red hat in accordance with Italian railway rules. The engine driver said that he could not be sure that the man giving him the departure signal was the real stationmaster. Eighteen minutes were lost until a red hat was found.

Tent Nightgown

On sale in New York is a new kind of nightgown for the American woman. It is made like a tent, starting out from a few inches of neckline to six full yards of hem. Its supposed advantages—it is made in one size only; a man can buy it for his wife without worrying if it will fit; it is "cooler than a bathing suit"; it is more comfortable for the restless sleeper.

MAN MAY RELY ON SEAWEED

If the world's population goes on increasing at its present exuberant rate, man will be forced to depend more and more for his survival on non-land food sources which, in addition to what the laboratory can whip up, include freshwater lakes and the sea.

Notable among foods from the water is seaweed, and Dr F. Neville Woodward, who is director of the Scottish Seaweed Research Association, said in an interview that it has carbohydrates, proteins, minerals, but, unfortunately, no fat.

Most kinds of seaweed are not very palatable, and their carbohydrates and proteins cannot be assimilated, but yeast can be grown on them and yeast is rich in carbohydrates, proteins and fats.

SINKS WHEN CUT

The Japanese like an occasional helping of kelp, while the Scots, Irish, and Nova Scotians are partial to dulce, but so far the greatest use of seaweed has been industrial rather than culinary.

Seaweed is difficult to reap mechanically because it sinks when cut, and in the old days the industry was dependent on weed clipped off the rocky sea bottom by storms and washed ashore.

The Scots, with 10,000,000 tons growing off their west coast alone, got around that problem with a sort of marine lawn-mower-vacuum-cleaning combination which first cuts the weed, then sucks it aboard ship.

And the Liberals? The unreality of their attitude was demonstrated in their sudden reversal of intentions after their leader, Mr Clement Davies, had clearly declared that they would abstain from voting with the Conservatives with the object of forcing a new General Election merely to repeat their known objection to Labour's Nationalisation policy; his significant absence from the debating chamber after his followers decided to reject his advice; and the hilarious muddle into which

Another equally-applicable word for the situation would be "Unreal," especially in its application to that Commons vote on Churchill's Steel Nationalisation amendment to the reply to the Address from the Throne.

The figure of a Government majority of 14 in the House of Commons—Lobby vote of the century was real enough it is true, but behind the scenes one saw the tangled unreality of it all. We saw the Labour Whips sweating blood to ensure the attendance of every voting member of the Party to avoid defeat, while some of them held the view that it would be a good thing if they lost because the second general election that would inevitably follow would (so they argue) have been strongly influenced by anti-Conservative and anti-Liberal irritation.

FEVERISH WHIPPING

Mr Ian Mikardo, Labour M.P. for Islington South, made no bones about expressing views of this kind. "I wish we had been defeated!" he said. "On the Conservative side there was equally feverish whipping in every possible man for their Lobby, and yet many of them secretly hoped they would not win, because finally they do not want another election just yet, and are not at all sure they agree with Winston's impetuous tactic in throwing down the gauntlet so quickly."

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Mr E.R. Bowen (Cardigan) slipped and scrambled when he spoke for them for about 20 minutes in a tone which implied deep disapproval of what he called "this Tory manoeuvre" and then ended up with the decision, "It is necessary for us to support this amendment."

"NIMBLE NINE"

So, with Churchill opening the battle with jeers at the Liberal pre-election anticipations of actually being able to form a Government and Atlee closing it with accusing the Conservatives of being more concerned with trying to destroy the Liberal Party than this Government, the "Nimble Nine" as someone has nicknamed the Liberal M.P.s—marched solemnly into the anti-Government Lobby and were charged to find after all that their votes had made no difference at all to the result, and would have had no effect whichever way they had been cast. For the Conservative amendment regarding the King's Speech contained no reference to Iron and Steel nationalisation was defeated by 310 votes to 206.

Behind all this screen of party manoeuvres there is, however, considerable concern everywhere. They have ceased worrying about the recent General Election; they are wondering already about the next.

In this connection, Churchill made a really astute move in advancing some attempt to grapple with the necessity for electoral reform. Herbert Morrison made the somewhat weak reply that there was "no mandate" from the electorate, but the real trouble is that nobody has yet found the perfect alternative to our present system. Churchill himself was careful to avoid offering his own cure for the obvious present anomalies because he knows what has happened to previous efforts to effect changes.

QUIETLY DROPPED

Proportional Representation was seriously proposed shortly after World War I by a Speaker's Conference and again in 1929, the Ilwaco Committee mustered a combined majority of Conservatives and Liberals against a Labour minority to approve the principles of that system. But although Bills were actually introduced on the subject party manoeuvres eventually led to the whole thing being quietly dropped. Labour Party's own introduction of a Bill for the Alternative Vote system (about 1930) met a similar fate.

Rather has experience elsewhere produced any reliable example. The Second Ballot (used once in use over the greater part of Europe) is now almost entirely discredited, and Australia has just discarded the Alternative Vote system after a prolonged trial.

So the political forces now facing each other at Westminster and wondering how to manipulate events to secure a more decisive result from the next General Election are formulating their plans on the understanding that there will be no major change in electoral methods.

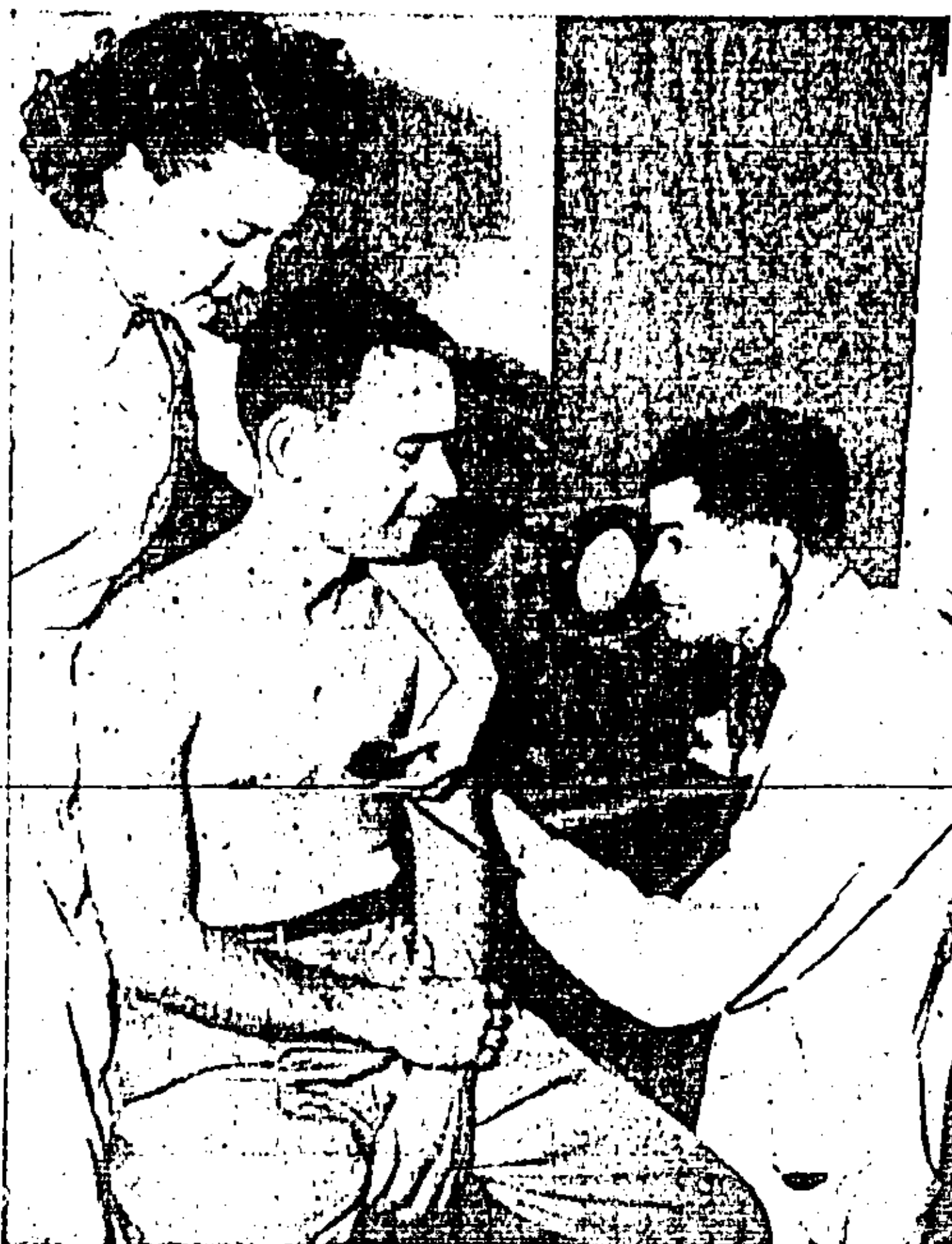
Reindeers For Britain

A Reindeer Council has been inaugurated in Britain to supervise the raising of reindeer herds to supplement Britain's meagre meat supply.

The Council has begun by arranging to receive from Sweden a herd of 25 "first-class breeding reindeers," together with trained Lapp herdsmen to look after the reindeer for three years.

The herd will be taken to Scotland to establish Britain's newest industry.

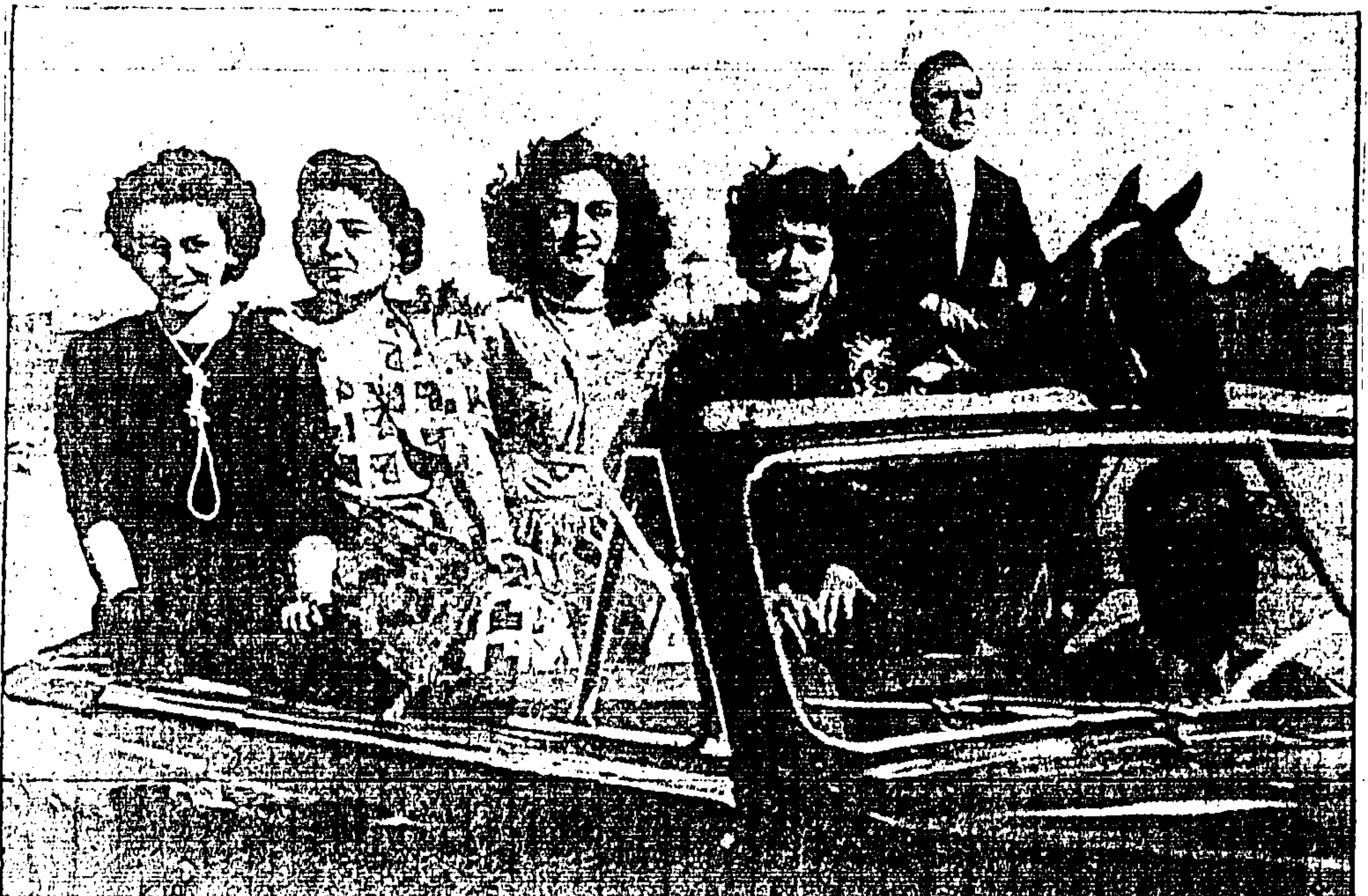
NEWS IN PICTURES



NEW HEART DEVICE—It has been developed at the City Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio, to record the functioning of the heart. Here nurse Hanna Janouskovec assists Dr Henry A. Zimmerman, right, in getting the heart beats of Dr Joseph M. Ryan recorded on the viewing instrument. It is believed that the instrument will help to eliminate the deaths of patients while under anaesthesia.



MERE MERMAIDS—Here are three mermaids, chosen in Miami, Florida, to help make the annual Bay Regatta a success. Instead of calling them queens or princesses, the officials are dubbing them mermaids, just to be consistent with the nature of the event.



JUST LOOKING ON—Beauty at a polo match in Havana, Cuba, is represented by these four lovely ladies. Left to right are Mary Ruth Vaccaro, Rosa Castillo Soldana, a Mexican beauty queen, Violet Casares, queen of the Latin American Fiesta of Tampa, and Laura Ibez. The girls saw Cuba beat Venezuela in the first game of the International Polo Series among Latin American teams.



PLEASANT CHORE—Metropolitan Opera mezzo-soprano Blanche Thebom uses a coat hanger when she shampoos her five-foot three-inch tresses.

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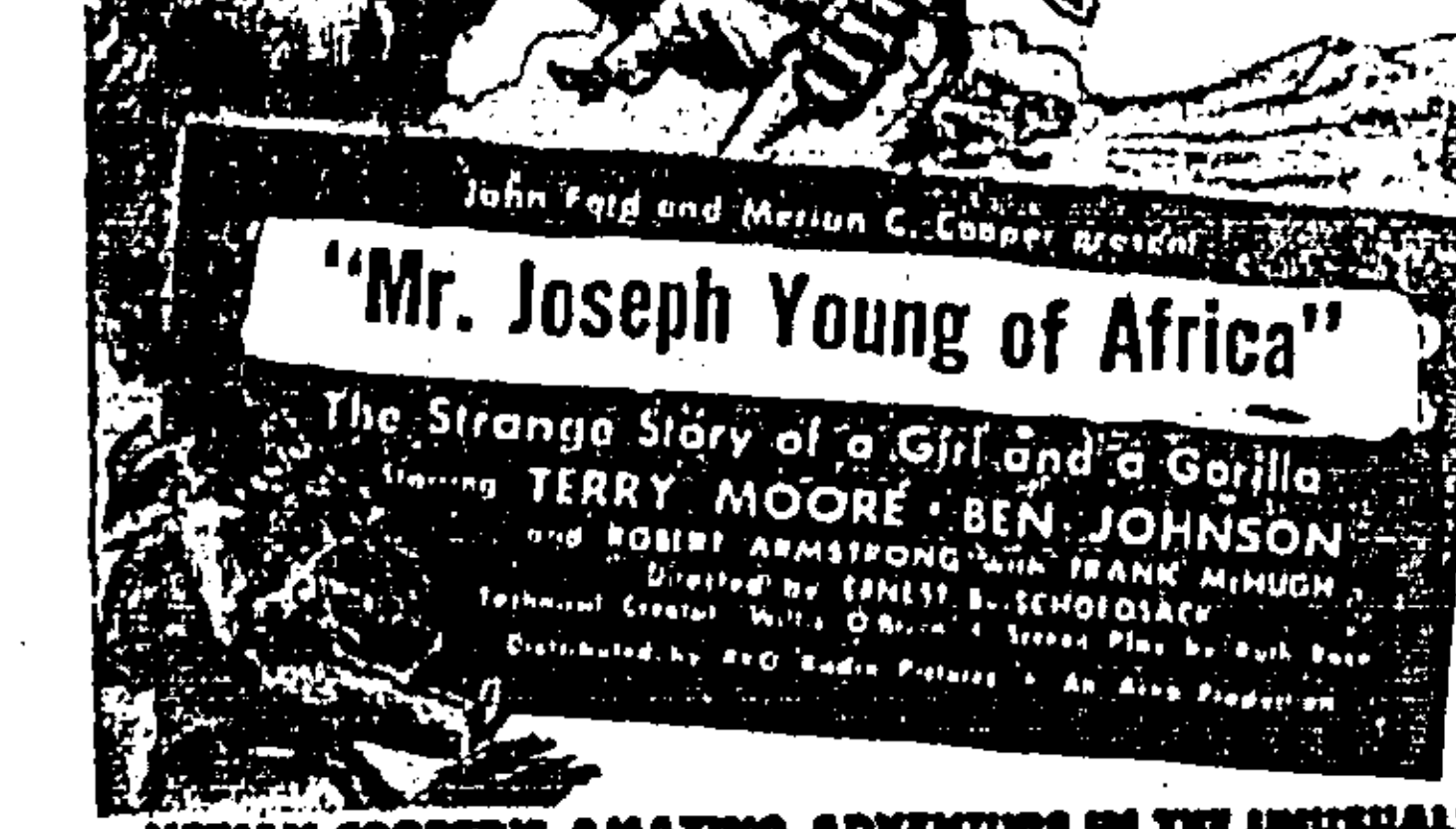
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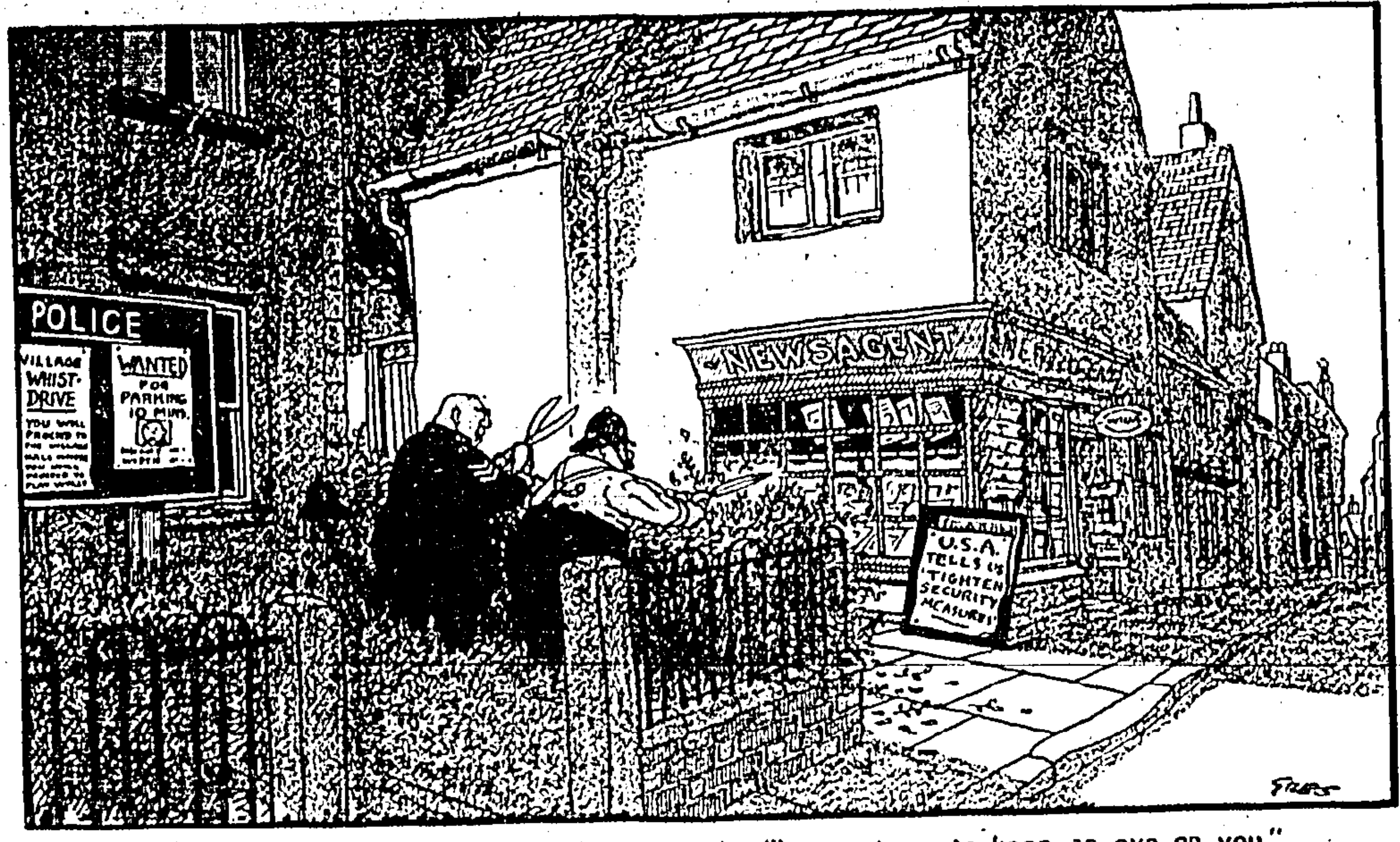
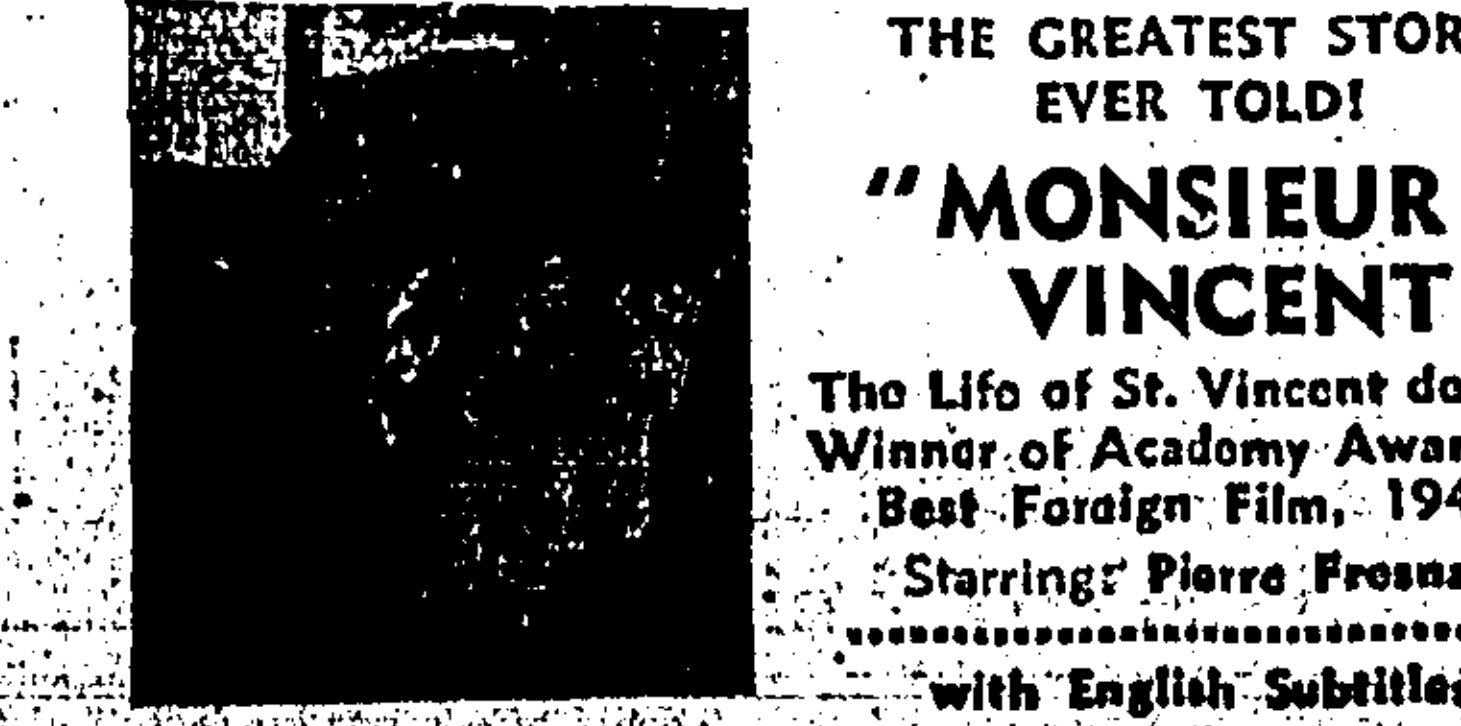
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London Express Service

Sitting on the Fence....by

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

NOT long ago I foresaw a distant future in which all members of Parliament, including the Cabinet, would be dogs. The interest dogs are already taking in politics was apparent in South Norfolk, where a doggie belonging to the wife of Christopher Mayhew, the Socialist candidate, bit one of his staunchest supporters.

Interviewed, the dog said: "Among other things, I must have swallowed a lot of propaganda, because I always thought Conservatives wore caps and muffers, or ought to. "This fellow was so well-dressed I thought he was a Conservative. So I bit him. I can only offer my apologies."

Love's Old Sweet Song

When the sheer misery of existence becomes intolerable and one is feeling rather flustered, it is heartening to read about a man who has been beating his wife every evening for 10 years.

JUST a clout at twilight, When the lights are low, In the flickering shadows A softly thudding blow; Though the day be weary, And the evening dear, I shall get at twilight Just the same thick ear, Just the same thud-thud-thud, c-c-c-c-c.

Flat-irons for beauty

"The sagging, wrinkled faces of elderly women are now being ironed out with a flat-iron," says a motherly article.

MOTHER, make the iron hot. Auntie's face has sagged a lot. Clearly, it's our painful duty To restore our auntie's beauty. Hurry, Alice, hurry, Mabel. Strap her on the kitchen table. Do not heed her frantic shout. Wrinkles must be ironed out. Careful, Gertrude, don't be rough. Stop when auntie's has enough.

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Steady Mary, steady Jane, Must you burn her nose again? Alice, Mabel, are you dreaming? Can't you hear your auntie screaming? Take that iron off her face. That is not its resting-place.

When it's colder and colder

A SCIENTIST (they're all over the place) thinks the weather in Britain will get colder and colder. Yet another thinks women will one day be 10 ft. high with barrel chests and enormous appetites.

This will make the bigger women of the future look much worse. A few ice age will grow hair on their barrel chests.

Their massive jaws will become purple with frost bite, and their terrible appetites will be satisfied only with raw meat and whale blubber.

As we also believe that steam heating is unhealthy, we shall get colder and colder as the weather gets worse and worse.

It is bad enough to foresee a future full of purple-faced women ten feet high.

But if we are also going to have icebergs all round the coast, polar bears in the back garden, and giant women roaming the frozen wastes munching blubber sandwiches, then roll on the next war, come what may.

Isn't nature wonderful?

IT cannot now be very long Before the birds burst into song And folks become hysterical About the blooming daffodil. The crocuses will soon be out. Then up will go a mighty shout From the lower and the upper ten And clerks and tired business men: "The spring has come! How too divine! Let's walk beside the Serpentine!"

With the first green, tender shoots Come little mass production soles;

For every wild flower in the grass There is some gaudy, vulgar ass. His jacket tightened at the waist, Attired in appalling taste.

Why does Nature in the spring Adorn and colour everything? With these exceptions, you and me, Who dress ourselves atrociously.

On hallowed ground

"There are no fewer than seven titled grandmothers living in one square mile of London," says a gossip-writer.

Are her whiskers grey or white? Does she get her ringlets wet When bathing in her coronet? Remember every grandmother-mach Is probably a dowager, Or possibly a marchioness, Or just a blowsy baroness.

★ ★ ★ Child, your curiosity About our aristocracy, Though natural and understudied Is very, very, very rude. A dowager or marchioness Is often human... more or less. —(London Express Service)

The Bridge

How much of that comradeship has survived, or have time, distance and apathy extinguished the bright hopes of 1945?

Admittedly, we have that plaque in St James's Square and others dotted about the country to remind us of the co-operation in war. In Grosvenor Square, one-time oasis of the U.S.A., is a fine memorial to President Roosevelt from the people of Britain. On international levels, there has probably never been so much unity; in the economic field America has made and is continuing to make a very generous contribution to ease

our difficulties. And hardly a week passes without some statesman of either country stressing the unity of views and our common purpose, or some prominent figure taking a back-hand swipe at the others' shortcomings to bring certain war-time differences back to mind with a rush.

But what of the lower levels, the ordinary uniformed men and women who struck up the simple, genuine friendships? Most have lost touch, inevitably, as they merged back into their own family circles and formed new relationships. But on both sides of the Atlantic has risen a non-political organisation which is trying to rebuild the bridge. It is the Fellowship of U.S.-British Comrades, first mooted in the closing stages of the war, but which only saw the light three years ago. Its patrons are Marshal of the Royal Air Force Viscount Tedder, General Eisenhower, and Lieut-General Jimmy Doolittle, and its President is British General Sir Frederick Morgan.

Modest Start

Any national of the British Commonwealth, or the United States who served with the Armed Forces at any period since September 1939, or is still serving, or their sons and daughters if over 21 years of age and have at heart the ideal of British-American friendship, are eligible for membership.

The movement started modestly, and its growing pains have been many, for it is never easy to "sell" an ideal. Both wings have organised themselves in local chapters in the main cities.

On the British side, for instance, there are branches in London, Birmingham, Bristol, Edinburgh, Manchester, Leeds and one for Northumberland and Durham. Members also act as correspondents in Northern Rhodesia, Egypt, Singapore, and East Africa, Cape Town and Holland.

An annual dinner is held, the venue alternating between the two countries. The first was held in the Armoury of the old and respected U.S. Seventh Army in New York, and last year the members met in the Long Room of the Honourable Artillery Company at Armoury House, London, under the chairmanship of Field Marshal Lord Wilson.

Other Activities

Dances have been held in both countries, one in London being memorable for a surprise item: a race between Generals Morgan and Doolittle across the ballroom floor on miniature bicycles.

A number of visits to places of interest have been made by members and American guests from the US Air Squadrons now in Britain. Lt Gen. Sir Brian Horrocks, one of our leading war-time Commanders, who is "gentleman Usher of the Black Rod and the King's representatives in the House of Lords, visited three groups round the Mother of Parliaments. Other parties have seen The Times building, the Royal Exchange, the House of Commons, and the "Queens" in Southampton harbour, were taken behind the scenes of a W. H. Wills tobacco factory in Bristol.

Colonel H. Cartwright-James, the Resident Governor of H. M. Tower of London, took members over our oldest Royal palace, where they witnessed the impressive and colourful ceremony of the Keys. Dover Castle, Windsor and Eton College, and other places of interest have also been visited. One of the complexities of our brand of ruby were explained to American almen at an international match at Twickenham. And there is to be a Fellowship launch to follow this year's Boat Race at close quarters.

Fourteen ex-GIs were accommodated with members and entertained during the 1948 Olympic Games, and more ambitious plans are afoot for the 1951 Festival. British Secretary F. K. Williams, whose office is at 24 Cadogan Gardens, London, S. W. 1, runs an efficient department which includes the booking of accommodation and tickets of all descriptions as well as a full travel service. A club house is to open at 101, Eaton place, London, S. W. 1, this summer which will provide residential facilities for visiting

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M.I.5 MAN

He and Sillitoe were the antithesis of each other. Hoover, colourful, flamboyant, expansive; Sillitoe, quiet, slow-speaking, hooded-eyed. They did not rub along too easily together. The Klaus Fuchs story will not improve things.

In the last two years, Sillitoe has toured in the Dominions. His visits abroad have the twocedy secrecy of a John Buchan story. People never know he is coming; only that he has been.

And in England, where does he live? Wherever you knock, someone says: "No, no one of that name here."

Family man

The £2,500,000 a year it takes to run Sir Percy's department is put down as "the cost of Central Government." No one says when he works; with whom; or where.

Somewhere, somehow, though, he is a family man. One son was an R. A. F. flier, his other was in the Merchant Marine. Daughter Audrey started the war as a Glasgow policewoman, ended by marrying a Navy surgeon.

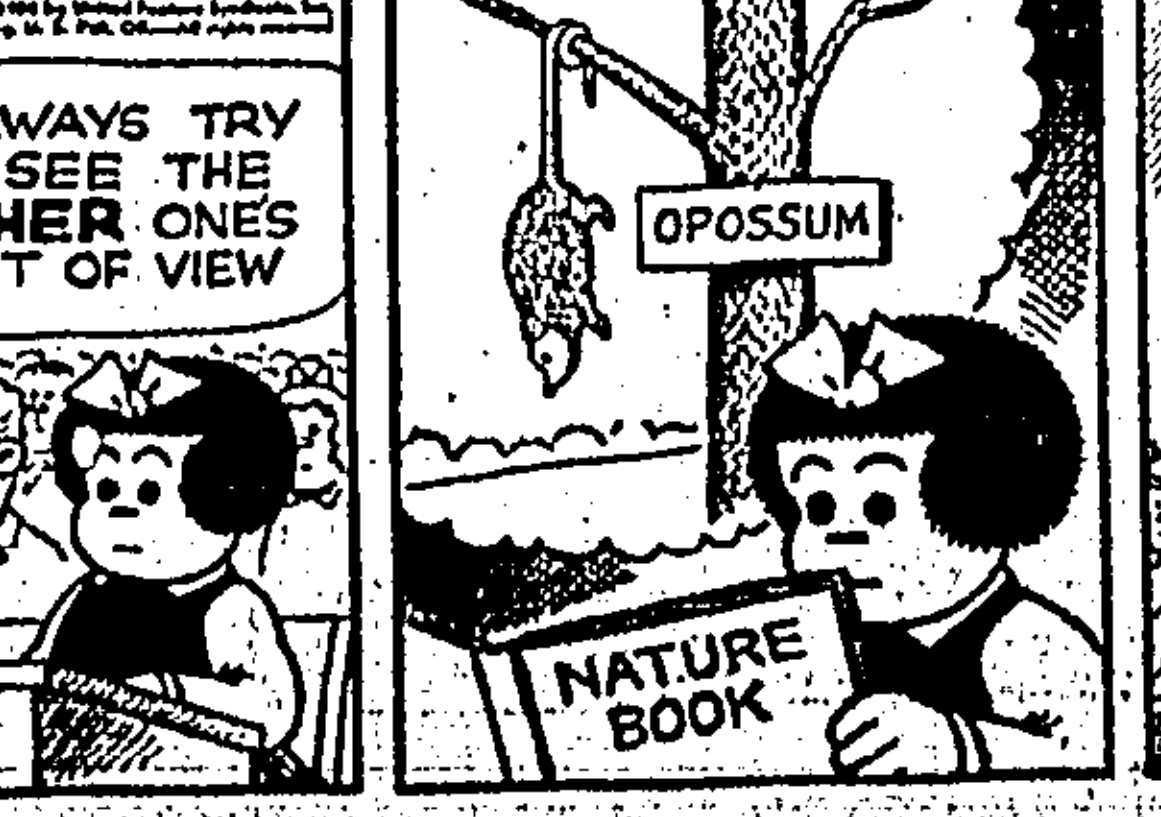
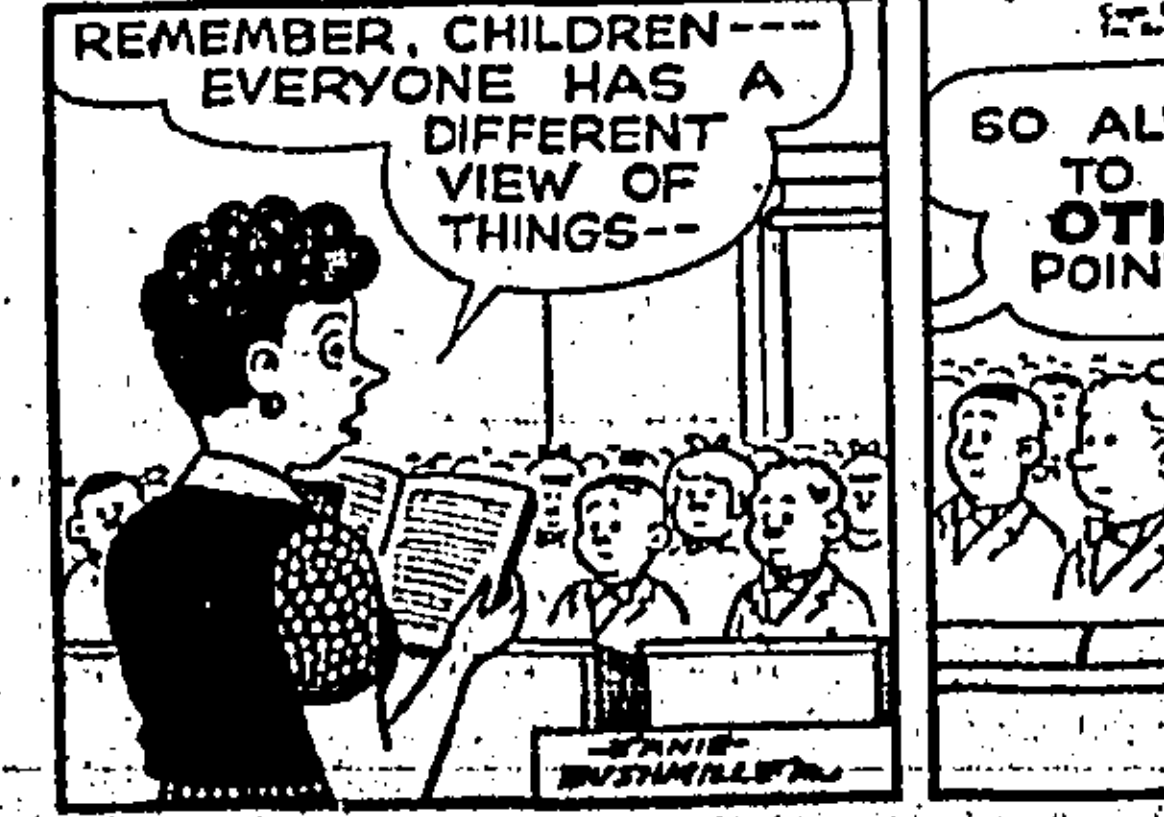
Once in a strangely expansive mood, Sir Percy told his simple credo: "If a man makes a mistake once, you can excuse him. But not twice."

On the Fuchs case, some people say Sillitoe has made his first mistake.

—London Express Service.

NANCY Getting the Hang of It

By Ernie Bushmiller



Campaign Against Mr. Acheson Grows Bitter

REPUBLICAN ACCUSATIONS

Washington, Mar. 21.—A Republican Senator today accused the American Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, of "undermining our national economy and losing the peace."

Mr. Kenneth Wherry, Senator, of Nebraska, made the statement in a speech prepared for delivery in his State.

Sweden's Neutrality

Stockholm, Mar. 22.—If Sweden is involved in a war against her will, she will defend her independence to the utmost, the Swedish Foreign Minister, Mr. Olof Uggla, declared today.

But her policy was the same as it always had been neutrality.—Reuter.

McCarthy Launches New Spy Charges

Washington, Mar. 21.—Senator Joseph McCarthy met secretly with Senate investigators today for a showdown on his charge that Russia's "top espionage agent" is a man now connected with the State Department.

McCarthy met in closed session with the Foreign Relations Sub-Committee, investigating his charge that Communist sympathizers are operating in top State Department posts.

A Democratic Committee member, who asked that his name be withheld, said McCarthy would be asked to put up or shut up on his "copy" charge.

The hurriedly called session came after the chairman, Senator Tydings, told reporters he would order the fastest possible return to try to establish the authenticity of McCarthy's newest allegations.—United Press

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Third Party Insurance

Sir,—I refer to the letter of "Paterfamilias" in your correspondence columns of the 20th and to your Leader of the 21st. This matter of compulsory Third Party Insurance has been discussed by my Committee on various occasions since the resuscitation of our Association two years ago and I may say that my Committee is, and always has been, unanimously in favour of compulsory third party insurance in Hongkong.

I understand that the required legislation to introduce this measure is now under consideration by the government Legal Department.

So far as I can remember this matter of compulsory third party insurance first came under consideration by Government as long ago as 1937; after the war the matter was again brought up and the necessary recommendations were made. In February 1949 the matter was already in the hands of the Legal Department and it is certainly regrettable that 15 months later the matter still appears to rest there.

I am requesting our representative on the Traffic Advisory Board to take up the matter again and to push energetically for early action.

V. E. Ferrier.
President, Hongkong Automobile Association.

Greek Political Compromise

Athens, Mar. 21.—King Paul concluded his audiences with Greek political party leaders and was expected to give a mandate to one of the Centre Party leaders tomorrow to form a government.

The Prime Minister of the caretaker government, John Theotokis, had a final audience with the King today to confer on the choice of a new Parliamentary leader. He said there was no question of his handing in a formal resignation because his government had technically been out of office since Election Day.—United Press

The attack was thought to herald a Republican effort to make a political campaign issue of Mr. Acheson and his policies. President Truman last night made it clear that he was sticking by his Secretary of State and approved his conduct and policies.

He issued a strongly worded denial from Key West, Florida, where he is on holiday, of reports that he intended replacing Mr. Acheson.

Mr. Wherry said, "Dean Acheson is the most powerful man in the Government today. The voice is the voice of President Truman but the hand is the hand of Dean Acheson. Apparently, he has become so powerful, as the idol of Left-wing, appease-Russia agitators, that President Truman is fearful, should he fire Acheson, he will lose the support of the Socialist pressure group in the coming elections and in 1952."

Two other Republicans, members of the House of Representatives, Mr. James Byrnes of Wisconsin and Mr. Thomas Wadell of California, attacked Mr. Acheson in the House yesterday for his role in allowing M. Valentin Gubichev, convicted Russian spy, to be deported to Russia and so escape a 15-year imprisonment sentence.—Reuter.

PLANES COLLIDE

Toulon, Mar. 21.—Two military training planes collided in mid-air near here today, killing the two pilots.

One plane had its tail torn off before crashing in a back garden. The other exploded in the air.—Reuter.

Atlantic Pact Countries To Discuss Finance

London, Mar. 21.—The Finance Ministers of the 12 Atlantic Pact countries will meet here on March 29 to discuss the financial and economic effort needed for an integrated defence system for the North Atlantic area.

Announcing this date the British Treasury added that the Marshall Plan roving Ambassador, Mr. Averell Harriman, would preside over the gathering.

Sir Stafford Cripps, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, will represent Britain.

The Finance Committee advises the Atlantic Pact Council.

Since the Committee first met last December, its permanent staff has been studying the financial and economic requirements of the North Atlantic defence programme.

The first of a series of meetings of the Western Union and Atlantic Pact Military Defence Committee will begin at The Hague on March 23, culminating in a meeting of the Atlantic Pact Defence Minister on March 31.

The five regional groups of the Atlantic Pact have been drawing up plans for the defence

General

Strike In Rome Ordered

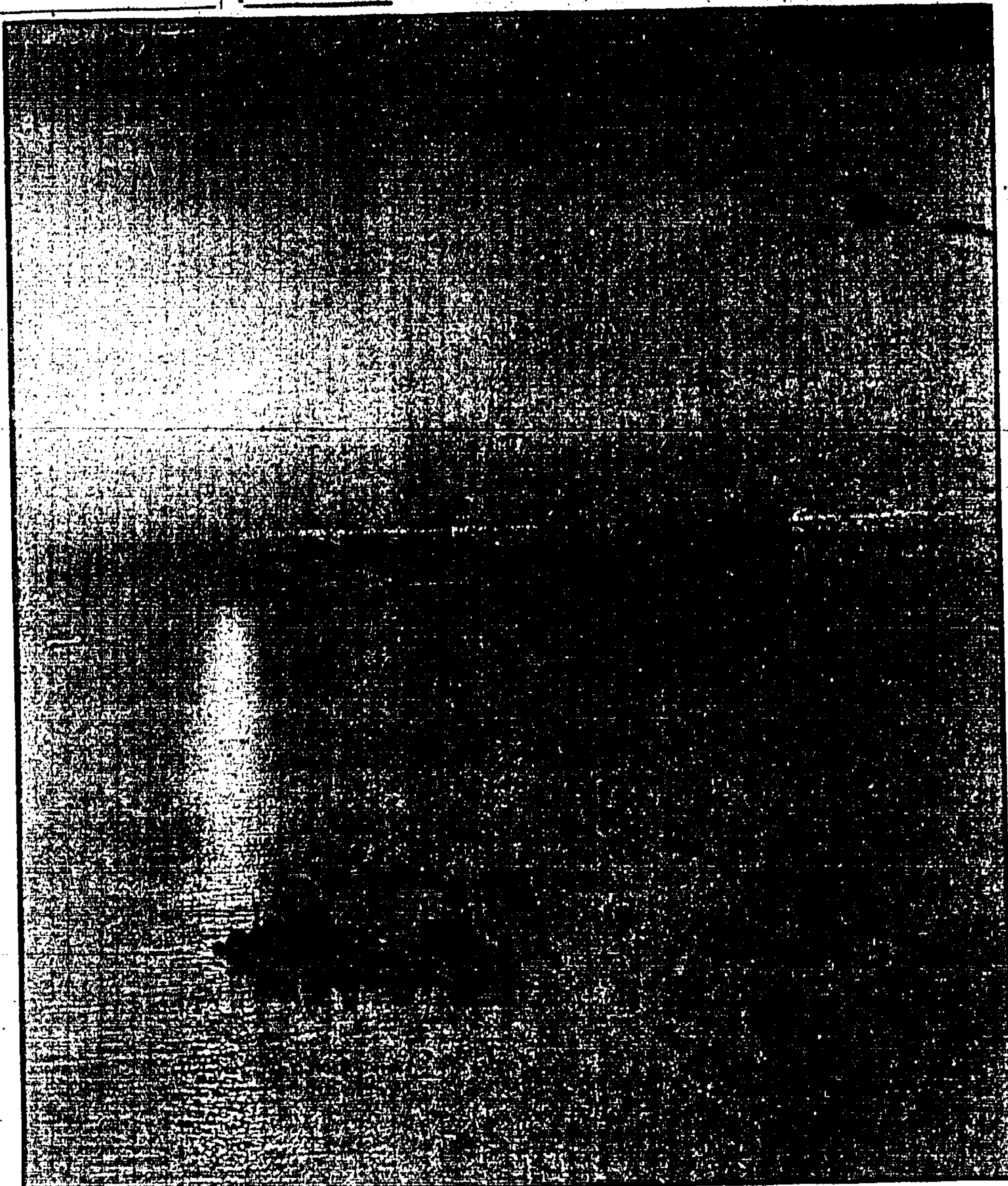
Rome, Mar. 21.—The Communist-led Rome Labour Council tonight ordered a nine-hour general strike in the city and the immediate countryside tomorrow.

The strike would take effect at 6 a.m. unless steel workers arrested in a clash with the police are released.

The arrests followed a demonstration in support of the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour's protest against the Interior Minister, M. Mario Scelba's recent prohibition of political meetings.

The Confederation itself issued a "united" strike call, counter-attacking the Government, but left it to the Confederation's Secretariat to name the walk-out date.—Reuter.

DAWN OVER TRUCULENT She keeps her secret still



Picture shows the sun rising over the "Truculent," beached at Cheney Spit sandbank and surrounded by her salvage vessels. (London Express Service).

THE MAN BEHIND THE "THRONE"

Berlin, Mar. 21.—Russia's foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov, has assumed almost all the executive powers in the Soviet Union "to spare the strength of the aging Stalin," Soviet Colonel Nakhvost, said last night, according to the West German news agency, DPA.

The Colonel was addressing a Communist audience in East Berlin. Marshal Stalin is 70. It was just over a year ago that Moscow Radio announced that M. Molotov had been "released from his duties" as Foreign Minister and had been succeeded by M. Andre Vyshinsky.

M. Molotov remained a Deputy Prime Minister of the Soviet Union. Speculation centred round the suggestion that the dismissal was a concealed promotion, and that M. Molotov had been given overall charge of co-ordinating the industrial and military potential of Russia and Eastern Europe.—Reuter.

Sensational Turn In Philippines Counterfeiting Case

Manila, Mar. 22.—The biggest counterfeiting case in Philippine history took on an international angle today following a stout denial by the Chinese Embassy of a statement by the counterfeiter's leader that the bogus dollar notes manufactured were intended for payment of Chiang Kai-shek's troops.

The statement made by An'paz Pineda, 46-year-old self-confessed organizer of the counterfeiting gang, was termed "utterly fantastic" by the Chinese Embassy.

Pineda claimed his operations started with a "deal" with Nationalist agents who wanted to buy \$300,000 for the Nationalist troops.

A police captain engaged in investigation, disclosed that the alleged contract with Nationalist agents. The police have not entirely dropped, however, the theory that bogus dollar notes may have been produced at least in part for export abroad.

An unconfirmed rumour said a local banker had purchased \$200,000 worth of bogus \$50 bills with the intention of smuggling them to dollar-hungry Southeast Asian countries, including Indonesia.

The police are hunting at least two more confederates of the six men already arrested. Pineda and his companions were allowed provisional liberty after each had posted \$5,000 bail, and the preliminary hearing of charges against them is scheduled for tomorrow.

The police are looking deeper into suspected connections between the counterfeiter and an American dentist, Edward Jensen, 32, formerly of Ogdenville, Utah, whose arrest last week led to raids on forgers' hideouts and the seizure of bogus \$50 notes and printing paraphernalia last night.—United Press.

THE TORCH BURNS

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members and will give the Fellowship a much-needed central home of its own. A one-year exchange of students has been started between Rossall School, Blackpool, and Marlus College, New York, but exchange difficulties have not allowed much scope in this direction. A quarterly illustrated magazine is published, and its distinguished contributors have included Field Marshal Viscount Wavell.

Much remains to be done to implement fully the aims and purposes outlined in the original charter to promote and strengthen mutual understanding, tolerance and trust. But the Fellowship is conscious of the role it can play in bringing the peoples of the two great world powers together, and with such men as Viscount Alder and General Morgan at the top, its influence will make itself felt. The torch has been flickering, but it will not go out.

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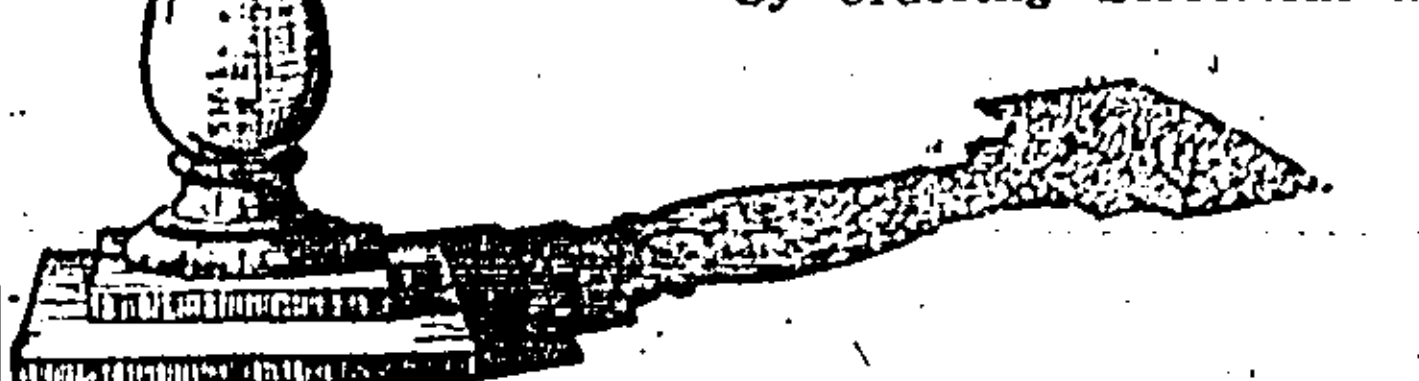


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World-Banking

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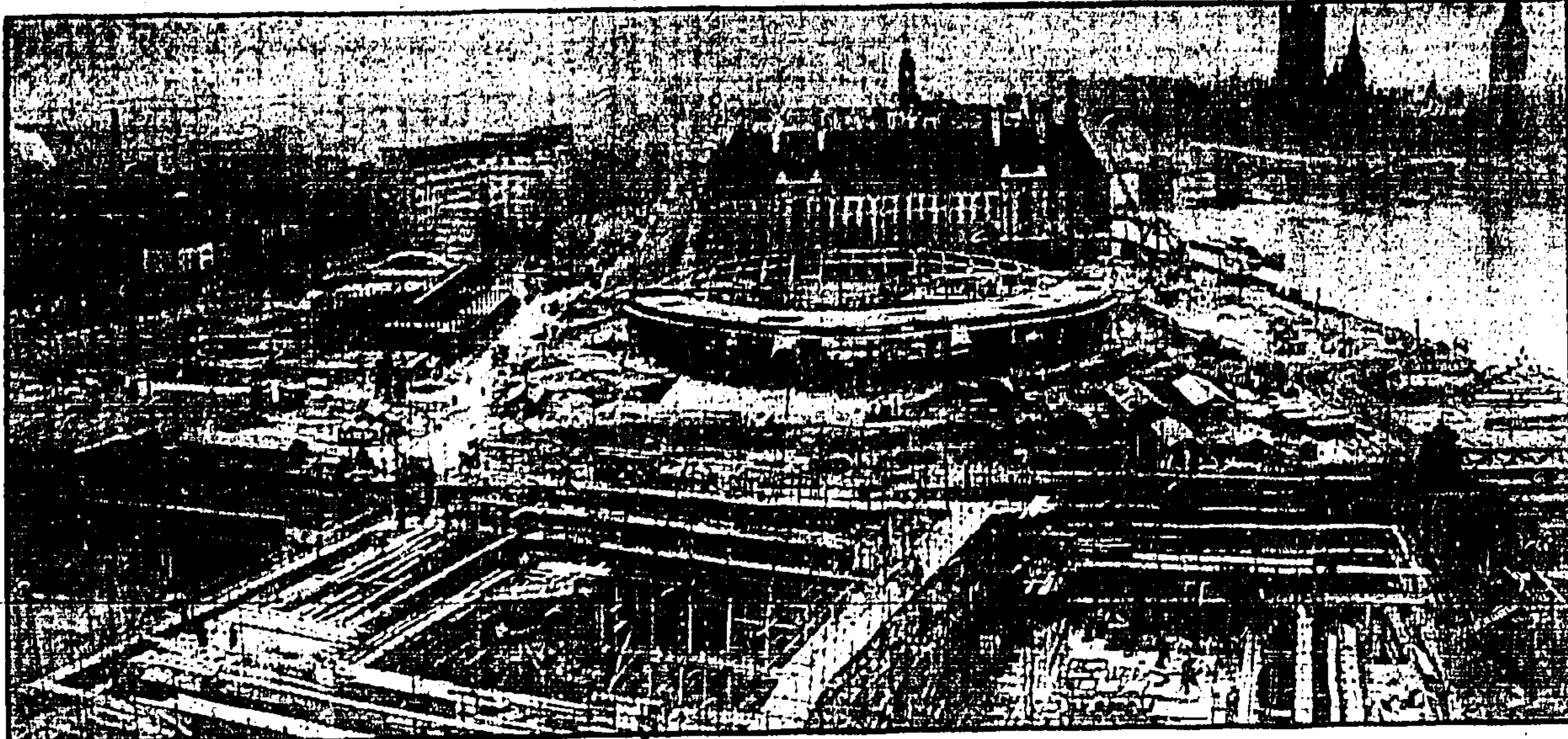
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THIS IS THE 1951 FESTIVAL SITE—WITH A YEAR TO GO



Adenauer Calls For A Strong Europe

Bonn, Mar. 21. — The West German Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer, declared here today that he was convinced "that any war would be worthwhile for Soviet Russia which placed Europe in its hands. It would be a great mistake if the Western world allowed itself to be lulled into sleep by a false sense of security," he declared in a statement which gave details of a recent press interview by the Chancellor.

"American armament has advanced so far that there is no immediate danger of the United States being conquered," he said.

"However, I doubt whether the Soviet leaders are so convinced of the state of American armament that a war would not pay for the Soviet Union."

"It is my conviction that any war would be worthwhile for Soviet Russia which placed Europe in its hands."

"Whether after a Soviet conquest of Europe, the United States would fight for its liberation seems to me not only questionable but improbable," Dr Adenauer continued.

"Therefore, I believe that the temptation for Soviet Russia to make war is greater than is generally supposed."

"In these circumstances peace can only be secured if the Soviet leaders are convinced of the impossibility of the conquest of Europe."

Turning to the position in Western Europe, Dr Adenauer said: "It is not very promising. Great Britain, in consequence of the recent election, is not in the position to take bold steps. That is quite clear in the field of foreign policy. The Government and the Opposition have, in contrast to the usual British tradition, very different views upon the defence of Western Europe."

"In Italy there are serious domestic conflicts. In France one strike follows another. The Council of Europe has so far obtained no noteworthy success. In this state of affairs a genuine belief in the future of Europe is not strong."

"Soviet Russia knows that quite well. But I am convinced that the entire position of the world could secure an effective proof that Europe has still the strength for fresh life."

"If Soviet Russia really could be convinced of the firm

resolve of Western Europe to take a new and decisive step, then that would have a profound influence upon Soviet policy in Europe and throughout the world."

EUROPEAN UNITY

Turning to the problem of union with France, Dr Adenauer pointed to the disunited state of Germany after the Napoleonic wars.

"A Customs Union and a Customs Parliament," he said, "were the beginning of European unity. I am thinking of a similar procedure. One should bring the two countries together gradually on the basis of Customs and economy."

He suggested that a common Economic Parliament could be established containing elected members of the Parliaments of the two countries.

The two Governments could found an organization which would be responsible for carrying out the decisions of the Economic Parliament.

"In the course of time," he continued, "the functions of the Economic Parliament and the Economic Government representation could be extended so as to bring the two countries together step by step."

TIME FOR ACTION

"The Saar conventions," Dr Adenauer continued, "give an example of the way in which two countries can be merged together. It would undoubtedly be a great step forward when Frenchmen and Germans could sit around one table in one House to work together and share the common responsibility."

"French demands for security could be satisfied and the growth of German nationalism could be prevented," he declared.

A union between France and Germany should, Dr Adenauer added, be completed by bringing in the Benelux states, Scandinavia and Italy.

"If Great Britain really regards herself as a European power she could take a place within the framework of the United Nations of Europe corresponding to her position and strength."

A strong Europe would be respected by Russia but it would not be strong enough to constitute a serious threat to the Soviet Union.

"Europe must not shut her eyes to the present danger. Blindness signifies capitulation because it hampers the power to act. The time for action has come," Dr Adenauer concluded.—Reuter.

Czech Paper Denounces Girl Skater

Prague, Mar. 21.—The Communist newspaper, Rude Pravo, broke the Czech press silence today on the decision of the world women's figure skating champion, Aja Vazanova, to remain in Britain by saying that the end of the road for the pretty 18-year-old Czech girl was "a bench in Hyde Park or a jump into the Thames."

The paper said Aja—the third famous skater to receive asylum in Britain in the past few weeks—had "sold herself for money and entered the road of treason."

It described her as "the trained monkey in the circus performance of Swiss-trained Arnold Gorschwiler. She cunningly masked her hostile attitude to the regime by an air of her own and her parents' loyalty."—Reuter.

Effort To Solve UN Deadlock

Lake Success, Mar. 21.—Yugoslavia today appealed to all members of the United Nations to "rise above their particular interests" and allow the Chinese Communists to sit in the organization.

Dr Ales Beler, the chief Yugoslav delegate, said in a statement to the press that Yugoslavia supported Dr Trygve Lie's proposal to solve the representation problem by separating the question of recognition of the Chinese Communist Government from that of whether it could attend the United Nations.

The Russian walk-out on the representation issue was "unjustifiable," he said, but at the same time "the prolonged prevention of the Chinese people being represented in the United Nations cannot be justified either."

"It is a violation of the Charter which explicitly mentions China as a permanent member of the Security Council, a violation of the principle of universality in the United Nations, and, moreover, which affects the largest nation in the world."

Dr Beler said that the deadlock created a situation "which cannot but do the greatest harm to the cause of world peace and international co-operation and jeopardise the very fate of the United Nations."—Reuter.

GROUNDNUTS BOOK NOT SUPPRESSED

London, Mar. 21.—The War Minister, Mr John Strachey, today denied as "utterly without foundation" charges that he had tried to suppress a book criticising the East African groundnuts scheme when he was Food Minister.

The book, "The Groundnuts Affair," was written by Alan Wood, Public Relations Officer of the Overseas Food Corporation, the Government body which administers the scheme.

In a personal statement to House of Commons, Mr Strachey said that, with the author's knowledge, the publisher showed him proofs of the book. Mr Strachey told him the considered parts of it a grave distortion of the history of the Scheme, and that he would be compelled to say so on its publication.

"At no time was there any question of my bringing proceedings for libel," he added.—Reuter.

Russian Whaling Fleet Returns

London, Mar. 21.—Russia's Antarctic whaling fleet has completed a successful season and is now returning home, Moscow Radio said today.

The broadcast, monitored here, said that despite "an early and severe autumn" the Soviet whalers "have done their duty honourably and are presenting the country with large quantities of produce in excess of their plan."—United Press.

Britain States Conditions

Paris, Mar. 21.—Britain today circulated to the other 17 Marshall Plan nations her conditions for joining the proposed European Payments Union.

The offer was put informally in a 15-page document to delegations of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

An official of the British delegation said today: "We simply feel that the currency which carries 50 percent of the world's trade cannot be treated on the same basis as a currency that finances trade in a particular country, say Belgium or Greece."

Continental nations, often critical of Britain's caution in committing herself to European arrangements because of Sterling area implications, have not yet reacted to the proposal.

Britain's objections to the scheme have arisen largely from fear that she might lose gold or dollars to countries with large accumulations of Sterling.

Meanwhile, the 18-nation Payments Committee of the OEEC, under the chairmanship of M. Hubert Ansinum of Belgium, today began a technical consideration of the principles of the Union. Their work is expected to go on until June.—Reuter.

MORE CZECHS ADMIT BEING SPIES

Prague, Mar. 21.—The two main defendants at the spy trial of 10 men and four women at Hodonin, Moravia, have pleaded guilty to working for the American and French espionage services, the official Czech news agency said on Tuesday.

It said that Jaroslav Vetejska, a Czech army deserter, pleaded guilty to "all points of the indictment and to some more criminal actions in addition."

Anton Busek was said to have pleaded guilty to shooting in the back a security police officer who "interfered with the group's activities."

One of the defendants is a Catholic priest, Jaromir Parizek, who was accused of being the "intellectual instigator" of the plot.

The agency said that Vetejska told an American counter-intelligence corps "everything he knew about Czechoslovakia's military, industrial, and other secrets" after he deserted and fled to Vienna.—United Press.

INTELLIGENCE TEST: SOLUTION

"Positional test" can be eliminated as new four-point test in all are scored. It will be found that, with this test of scale, the results of the 10 games played were as follows:

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Robins	0-0	0-0	0-0
Gulls	0-0	0-0	0-0

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CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. The science of determining the position and directing the course of aircraft. 2. All white the same colours: red, white and blue. 3. Australian-New Zealand Army Corps. 4. Not necessarily. The lightness does not refer to tonnage but to the size of the guns carried. 5. In Africa and Asia. 6. Wellington.

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN TALKS IN LONDON KEPT VERY DARK

London, Mar. 21.—Extreme caution was preserved today both at the Foreign Office and at the Egyptian Embassy on the nature of the exchanges which took place this morning when the Egyptian Ambassador, Abdel Fattah Amr Pasha, called on the Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin.

Spokesman on both sides were unable to disclose whether the Ambassador, who returned last week to London from two months' stay in Cairo, had broached the question of negotiations for a new Anglo-Egyptian agreement to replace the Treaty of 1936.

It was appreciated by observers here that, in the light of past negotiations, which were likely to be prejudiced by premature publicity, both parties were likely to be reticent during the preliminaries of any renewed conversations.

The latest available information from Cairo shows two contradictory trends. First, that the new Wafd Government is expected by public opinion to make a move towards a settlement with Britain on mutually satisfactory terms. Secondly, that the Government itself is waiting to see the outcome of the political situation in Britain following the recent General Election.

One suggestion made by well-placed observers here is that the Egyptian Ambassador's instructions on his return to London may cover both these considerations in the following way.

PRECONDITIONS

He should sound out the British Government on possible starting points for new negotiations, thus satisfying Egyptian public expectation of a future of reconciliation. But that he

should put forward as preconditions of any formal renewal of discussions terms which Britain would be unlikely to accept outright.

For instance, if British recognition of Egypt's two "national aspirations" of a union of the Nile Valley (Egypt and the Sudan) and the withdrawal of British troops were stipulated as these preconditions, it is unlikely that any quick beginning of talks would follow, since London would probably wish to know in much greater detail just what they would involve.

In this way, observers consider, the increasingly friendly atmosphere between Cairo and London would be maintained, the door would be kept open for a new deal between the two countries, but time would be gained which would allow Egypt to see whether the present Government will remain long enough in the saddle before new elections to carry through to a finish the negotiations for treaty revisions if these are undertaken.—Reuter.

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RUSSIAN MOVE BEING IGNORED

Washington, Mar. 21.—The United States is ignoring Russia's demand for the trial of Emperor Hirohito as a war criminal.

The Soviet Ambassador, Mr Alexander S. Panyushkin, personally called on the Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, on February 1 to force prosecution of the Japanese Emperor.

Mr Panyushkin presented a 22-page note attempting to indict Hirohito and a number of Japanese army officers.

Today, seven weeks later, the United States has not even answered. An authoritative source said the United States probably will never reply.

United States officials, it was explained, believe the Soviet move was intended for propaganda and not even the Russians expected much else to result.

Mr Panyushkin accused Hirohito and Japanese army officers of using germ warfare against Soviet and Chinese troops in Manchuria during World War II. They were accused of spreading cholera and bubonic plague.

American officials said Russia was warring on a long-standing agreement to end such war crimes trials in Japan. All the countries that fought Japan agreed on February 24, 1949, that no more major war crimes trials would begin.

These officials said only the Far Eastern Commission, composed of states that fought Japan, could rescind the agreement—and Russia is boycotting the Commission.

State Department officials had full support in Congress for ignoring the Russian move.—United Press.

Afghan King In Iraq

Baghdad, Mar. 21.—Mohamed Zahir Shah, King of Afghanistan, arrived here today from Saudi Arabia and will remain six days as the guest of Amir Abdullah, Regent of Iraq.

The King will then visit the Shah of Persia at Teheran.—Reuter.

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Nairobi Workers Asked To Boycott City Celebrations

Nairobi, Mar. 21.—The East African Trade Union Congress' Central Council has confirmed a decision by 1,500 "Nairobi workers" to boycott the town's civic week celebrations which begin on March 29, and during which the Duke of Gloucester is to present a Royal Charter creating Nairobi a city.

Makhan Singh, Indian General Secretary of the Congress, making this announcement today, claimed that the Congress, representing five of Kenya's 13 registered trade unions, has a membership of 12,000.

The Congress' Central Council, in a statement today, declared that the Governments of Kenya and Britain were "trying to boost the occasion as historic in their Empire and Commonwealth."

"This is to mislead the outside world on how the people of Kenya are 'progressing' under foreign rulers," the statement added.

Soon after publication of this statement a Kenya Government spokesman said that the Congress was promoted mainly by an Indian whom, the spokes-

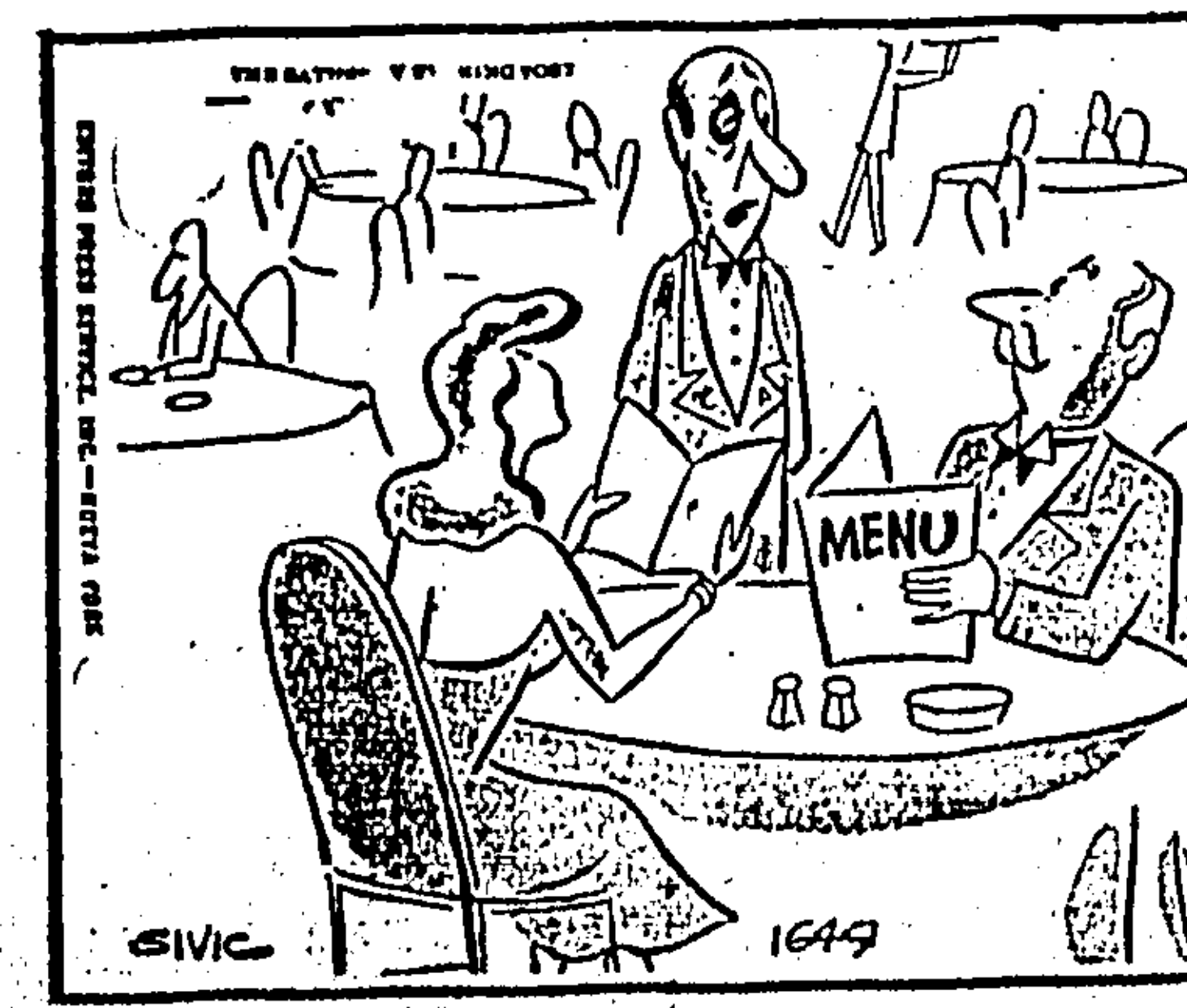
man claimed, is a member of the Communist Party of India and was interested in India during the war for "undesirable activities."

The spokesman added: "The Congress does not represent any large body of African opinion. The main body of Africans are strongly loyal."

The Kenya African Union, the Colony's principal African political association, has disassociated itself from the boycott because "it would not enhance the good name of the African in Kenya."

Momo Kinyatta, African leader of the Union, is reported to have accused the Congress leaders of causing mischief by advocating the move.

Usually reliable British sources here do not believe that the boycott will interfere with next week's celebration.—Reuter.



"I'm sorry, sir I don't give suggestions any more."